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## FARMERS NATIONAL BANK BOUGHT

BUSINESS OF THE BANK, ASSETS AND GOOD WILL IS BOUGHT BY THE SECURITY STATE BANK & TRUST CO.

## TRANSFER MADE THURSDAY MORNING OF THIS WEEK

Building of the Farmers National Bank is Retained and Will Likely be Converted into a Mercantile Building. Officials of the Absorbed Bank Have Not Made Known Future Plans

The Security State Bank & Trust Company Wednesday evening of this week consummated a deal whereby the assets of the Farmers National Bank become the property of the Security State Bank & Trust Company. As their announcement of the transaction appears in another part of this paper, the accounts after being verified by the customers of the Farmers National Bank will be handled by the Security State Bank & Trust Co.

The Farmers National Bank was organized with a capital stock of \$50,000 about three years ago. William M. Peck, capitalist of Concordia, Kansas, has been president of the bank since its organization and L. T. Martin active vice president. Mr. Martin attended to the business of this institution since its organization. Early last year Mrs. John J. Noone, niece of L. T. Martin and daughter of the bank's president, came here and since has been acting in the capacity of assistant cashier. During the summer last year, Mrs. Noone's husband returned from duty abroad with the army. While in the army Mr. Noone was commissioned a Captain and participated in some of the hottest battles of the Meuse-Argonne offensive. Directly upon entering Lubbock, Mr. Noone was elected to the position of cashier and has been acting in that capacity since. Mr. Noone has been active in organizing the local camp of the American Legion and has the honor of serving this post in the capacity of Commander since its organization and has faithfully helped in making a great organization of the local post. Mr. Martin has been active in all civic enterprises and has served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce for three years. Mr. Peck, although not a resident of Lubbock, has been here for several years and is a great believer in the future possibilities of this section. Mr. Peck is one of the men who believes that a railroad connection between Lubbock and Silverton would be one of the best sources of development of Lubbock and this territory.

The buyer of the Farmers National Bank, the Security State Bank & Trust Company, was organized a short time after the Farmers National Bank, with a capital stock of \$100,000. Its officers are C. E. Macdonald, who came here from Temple, and a man who has had years of experience in the banking business before coming here; J. O. Jones,

## WHERE SHALL THE NEGROES BE LOCATED?

Quite a commotion was started among the white people who own property in the southeast part of town, when it was learned this week that town lots were being bought in that part of the city by the colored people with a view to building homes thereon. This, of course, affects the price of property for many blocks around, and the white folks of that part of town who have homes there do not appreciate the location of the colored folks in that part. This will be the case in any part of town that the colored folks might be put, and we do not know just where to suggest that they be located. We understand that the colored folks prefer to be allowed to reside across the railroad track from town somewhere, and now is the time to decide this matter definitely, and if necessary the people of the town should contribute enough money to assist them in locating in some part of town that will be the most satisfactory to them and the public in general. There is not a portion of the town that we know of that they could be located in without depreciating the value of some property, and every fellow naturally wants it to be some one else's than his. However, the longer this matter is put off the harder the problem will be to solve, there should be some understanding arrived at so that the colored folks will know exactly what is expected of them. They are preparing to have churches and a school this fall and they are preparing to spend their money and they should know where they can spend it without the likelihood of being molested, enjoined, etc. This is a matter that the Chamber of Commerce and the City Commission might take up and even though legal actions are not necessary or permissible, they might at least act as a medium through which the matter can be brought to a mutual agreement, and the question settled. The colored folks are here and here to stay. They must have churches, schools, and homes, and we should see to it that as long as they behave themselves, that they get the proper attention, and are dealt with fairly and in a friendly manner.

Mrs. M. C. Benson and daughter, Miss Pine, will leave Monday for Mineral Wells, where they will visit with relatives and friends for several weeks.

Mrs. Dick Fren of Plains, is spending a few weeks in Lubbock visiting with friends and acquaintances.

vice president, a well known South Plains cattleman; L. C. Ellis, cashier, an experienced banker and F. W. Groce, assistant cashier. All the stockholders of the Security State Bank are well known pioneer men of Lubbock county and have been of substantial means and influence in their respective communities. From the start, the Security State Bank & Trust Company has been with the farmers. As an officer of this bank once said to the writer, "we came here just as the farmer was beginning to become an important factor on the South Plains and believing that the South Plains was one of the finest farming sections in the State, determined to help them in developing the country." Mr. Macdonald, the president of this bank, has had actual agricultural experience; was raised on the farm and is a graduate of the State Agricultural & Mechanical College. Because of his broad agricultural knowledge the banker friends of the Texas Bankers' Association have seen fit to place him upon the agricultural committee of this association. The Security State Bank & Trust Company, through its officers, has aided the farmers in securing a cotton classifier and has also been active in co-operating with the South Plains Sheep and Wool Growers' Association. Recent statements of the condition of the Security State Bank & Trust Company betrays the fact that this bank is becoming one of the leading financial institutions of the South Plains. Their officers say they will so handle their affairs that their customers, both townspeople and farmers, will receive all the necessary financial aid during the year that is consistent with their banking principles.

In their announcement in this paper the Security State Bank & Trust Company asks the consideration of the former customers (numbering a round five hundred) of the Farmers National Bank, and promises to them all the courtesies of a real banking house.

The building of the Farmers National Bank was retained and we understand will be converted into a mercantile building in the very near future. It is a splendid investment and will likely be kept as such by owners of the bank.

The officials of the bank who have had active charge of same have not made known their plans for the future, but it is hoped that these progressive people will remain in Lubbock, as we recognize in them good business men and splendid citizens.

## A. B. CONLEY, JR., PURCHASES FARMERS BANK BUILDING

A. B. Conley, Jr., well known dry goods merchant and head of one of the most popular concerns on the South Plains, became the owner of the Farmers National Bank building when the deal was made through the real estate firm of Duncan & Perry. This building which is two-story in height and 60x125 feet, is located on what is thought to be the most popular corner of the business section of Lubbock. The consideration of the deal involved \$75,000. We are also informed that three sections owned by Mr. Conley in Yoakum county became the property of William M. Peck.

Last year this building under the supervision of Mr. Peck, was thoroughly over-worked within, resulting in possibly one of the best built houses in Lubbock. Its offices on the second floor offer one of the best locations in Lubbock. The Barrier Brothers dry goods company will continue to do business in this building at least for two years. Nothing definite has been decided on what will be done with the corner space vacated by the bank consolidation.

## L. W. KLEIN WILL BE R. R. AGENT AT RAILS

L. W. Klein, who has been cashier and chief clerk of the Santa Fe railroad in Lubbock for the past few years, has recently accepted a promotion with this company and will move to Ralls to be agent at that point. As Ralls is considered one of the liveliest points on the Crosbyton branch, the promotion to agent is considered quite a step up the ladder for Mr. Klein, whose friends will be glad to hear of this but will regret to lose them from Lubbock.

Mr. Klein and family will leave in a few days for points in Southern California, where they will spend a few weeks on a vacation, returning to Ralls to make their future home.

## MR. AND MRS. JUDD CALLED TO BEDSIDE OF RELATIVE

A Judd and wife left today for Cookeville, Tenn., in response to a message that Mrs. Judd's father was seriously ill with paralysis. Mr. and Mrs. Judd expect to be out of the city until September. Enroute home they will come by way of Wallington, Ill., and visit their son, Noel, a few days.

The keynote of the Chicago Republican convention seems to be "down with everything approved by Wilson."

## TEXT OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

Austin, Texas, June 7.—The text of Governor Hobby's proclamation, placing Galveston under martial law, follows:

"Whereas, The congestion in the movement of commerce through the port of Galveston is preventing the receipt of goods by Texas merchants and threatening the outward shipment of Texas crops, almost ready for market, and this condition has reached proportions affecting the business interests and material welfare of Texas and the property rights of citizens; and,

"Whereas, This condition has heretofore caused acts of violence on citizens of the State, and there is now imminent danger of insurrection, tumult, riots and breach of the peace, and serious danger to the inhabitants and property of citizens in the territory hereafter described; and,

"Whereas, Sec. 19 of Art. 1 of the Constitution of Texas provides in part that: No citizen of this State shall be deprived of life, liberty, property, except by the due course of the law of the land; and,

"Whereas, Sec. 10 of Art. 4 of the Constitution charges the Governor with the faithful execution of the laws of the State; and,

"Whereas, Sec. 7 of Art. 4 of the Constitution of the State declares the Governor shall call forth the militia to execute the laws of the State and suppress insurrections.

"Now, therefore, I, W. P. Hobby, Governor of Texas and commander in chief of the military forces of the State, do, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this State, declare that the conditions above described are clearly violative of the Constitution and laws of this state, and that by reason of which the conditions contemplated in Art. 5892 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, exists in the following described territory, to-wit:

"The city of Galveston, the port of Galveston and all water fronts and bays, including the causeway and Virginia Point of the mainland of Galveston, Pelican Island and such portions of Bolivar Peninsula as are situated in Galveston County, and all water fronts and bays adjacent thereto, and I do declare martial law in said territory, effective at 12 o'clock, 7th day of June, A. D. 1920; and I hereby direct Brigadier-General Jacob F. Wolters to assume supreme command of the situation in the territory affected, subject to orders of the Governor of Texas, the commander in chief of the military forces of this State, as given through the Adjutant General.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the seal of State to be hereunto affixed at my office at Austin, Texas, this 7th day of June, A. D. 1920, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

"W. P. HOBBY,  
Governor of Texas."

Governor Hobby gave out the following statement:

"I regret the necessity of sending troops to Galveston. The question is whether the best interest of the State shall be served or whether that interest shall be subordinated to a local controversy. Any issue with respect to labor organizations or open shop organizations is not involved, and I stand ready to protect either or both within the law, and so long as that protection is not incompatible with the public welfare. The channels of trade affecting the life of the business of the State and affecting the living conditions and the occupations of all the people must be kept open, and I shall exert the full limit of the State's power to accomplish that purpose. The supreme sovereignty of the State will be maintained at any cost. If commerce is not resumed now, and if freight is not moved without interruption, the responsibility will rest with the carriers. It will not be the fault of the State."

## PARK COMMITTEE WILL BUILD BASEBALL PARK

The committee appointed by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce to affix permanent improvements on the County Park grounds has assured the Elks Lodge that they will build a permanent ball park within the county park grounds. This decision of the park committee was made Wednesday night. Work will start immediately on the grounds and it is expected that by next week the local team will have an ideal place to perform. The Elks will build the grandstand and put other improvements on the park grounds. Plans were being made to build the ball park south of town and money was being secured with which to finance this project. However, after the offer was made by the park committee, it was decided upon to accept.

## DAUGHTER OF MISSIONARY VISITING IN LUBBOCK

Miss Mabel Taylor of Waco, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. C. Taylor of Corpus Christi, who lost their lives last year in the storm in that country arrived here recently and will spend the summer in Lubbock. Miss Taylor's father was a missionary 28 years in South America and had moved to Corpus Christi to retire. She is a cousin of Walter E. Taylor, local architect.

## CHAS. MIDDLETON IS NOW PIERCE OIL AGENT

Chas. S. Middleton, well known commission dealer of Lubbock, and one of the pioneer residents of Lubbock, has recently accepted the position of agent in Lubbock for the Pierce Oil Company. Mr. Middleton took charge of this business the last part of last week. H. S. Howard, former agent for this company will remain in Lubbock we are informed.

## LUBBOCK DEFEATS PLAINVIEW BY SCORE OF 2 TO 1

Probably one of the fastest games ever staged on the South Plains was played Wednesday afternoon by Lubbock and Plainview. Those who attended this hotly contested game and who are acquainted with first class baseball, say that for amateurs, Wednesday's game leads.

Base ball fever is running high in Lubbock at the present time and for this reason there was a good crowd if not the best crowd out this year at Wednesday's game. Plainview's reputation for having the leading baseball team on the plains served to arouse more than usual interest. Plainview, as Lubbock fans can vouch, has reason to be proud of her team and it was only after ten innings of real baseball in which time one or more errors made by Plainview's team, that Lubbock got away with Wednesday's game. Lubbock's boys are just beginning to find out that they can play ball and are going at it with more confidence of winning. It was the confidence in their ability to handle the ball that went far in winning a good game.

Nothing can be said of the batteries for the two teams more than both did all that were in their power to win and went through the entire nine innings without an error marked against them. The pitchers for both sides threw each ball with intentions of the batter missing and the catchers wouldn't have erred for money. Real classy infelding and outfielding was done. There was not enough clean hits made in Wednesday's game to speak of, yet the men displayed much ability in hitting the ball without control.

Plainview scored one in the 4th inning. Lubbock scored one in the 7th inning. Errors and good hitting put two men on bases for Lubbock in the last half of the tenth inning. Ethridge got a good clean hit and stopped the game.

Karr, catching for Lubbock, had his aim right Wednesday on the bases. Every ball thrown by him was perfect. Bassenger made them think the ball was going home and caught a good chance on first base. The runner was told to go to the bench. Bassenger takes the game easy and fools many with his "dinky" wind-up. When the 7th inning rolled around, Bassenger had gotten in fairly good pitching way and the longer the game went the better he became. (Some remarks that in an eighteen-inning game Bassenger could make the big leagues.) Arnett Pearson, although one of the youngest men on the Lubbock team, knows baseball and is on the job from the time the game starts till the last decision. Wayland Sanders don't know how to miss a wild throw to first. In Wednesday's game he attempted getting on top of a runner to reach a high ball. He got it. Sylvan Sanders, playing second base for Lubbock, goes out into right and left field for flys, into home for bunts and gets them too, also he can't refuse to steal a base and is one of the best base runners on the team. Ethridge digs the ball out of the sand on shortstop and knows the first baseman has a glove. Left fielders and center fielders for Lubbock were on their toes all the time but got few chances to display their work only at the bat. Pearson and Ethridge got the pinch hits of the game Wednesday. Old man hard luck was against Lubbock's sacrifice hitting Wednesday, although the batters made fine attempts. That fellow Ward for Plainview knows when a sacrifice hit can be expected and stays awake.

## FORMER BANK OFFICIALS WILL VISIT NORTH

L. T. Martin, former vice president of the Farmers National Bank, which was sold this week to the Security State Bank & Trust Company, will leave in a short time for Portland, Ore., he informs us, to be present at the Shriners' meeting. Mr. Martin after attending this meet will return to Lubbock and will continue to make this place his home. Mr. and Mrs. John J. Noone who also were officials of the Farmers National Bank, will leave shortly for a visit to Denver, Colo. They have not definitely decided where they will locate permanently, but state that they will likely make their home in Denver or Kansas City. Mr. Noone will possibly enter into the banking business in one of the above named cities.

## J. A. HODGES WILL BUILD LARGE BRICK BUILDING

One of the largest business establishments in Lubbock will result when the building 60x125 feet of J. A. Hodges is completed on the East side of the square. Contract was awarded recently, we are informed to contractors Walker and Royalty and work will commence immediately. This building will be adjacent to the W. S. Hodges grocery and together with the present space it will give Mr. Hodges a 75 foot front. A large archway will connect the present building with the new one. Mr. Hodges will carry a complete stock of general merchandise.

## CROP CONDITIONS ARE POOR IN DALLAS COUNTY

The Dallas News of today is responsible for the statement quoted from J. A. Moore, assistant county agricultural agent, that crop conditions in Dallas county are far from promising this year. Wheat acreage is reduced practically to half as compared to that of last year. Corn is late, much of it having to be replanted and cotton fifty per cent under normal.

Francis Baker, president of the Citizens National Bank of this city, left last Sunday morning for Kansas City on a short business visit. Mr. Baker returned home Wednesday night.

## TO COMBINE CELEBRATION DATES

EVENTS USUALLY SCHEDULED FOR JULY FOURTH WILL BE HELD IN AUGUST IN CONNECTION WITH CONVENTION

## LUBBOCK WILL ENTERTAIN FIREMEN ON A BIG SCALE

A Big Line-Up of Prizes Will Be Necessary For The Competing Events And Lubbock People Will Be Asked To Furnish Them, As Well As Bear Expense of A Three Days' Entertainment

There are at least fifty or more progressive, live towns in West Texas that will be represented by public-spirited men—men who appreciate progressiveness in a Firemen's Convention in Lubbock the 22nd, 23rd and 24th of August. Lubbock, "the convention city of West Texas," has been selected as the place for this convention which is considered vitally important to the Panhandle Association of Volunteer firemen. Lubbock has decided to 4th of July and throw its energy in the three days set aside to entertain visitors from all over West Texas. It is the plans now that together with the convention work that will be done here there will be a kind of "Lubbock 4th of July." That means that entertainment of the nature that pleases will be extended to every person who claims West Texas as their home to come to Lubbock on those days, witness the feats of the firemen and enjoy the entertainment at the expense of Lubbock.

"We must make a great success of this convention," says Lubbock Fire Chief. He says that during the years of drought and war that the association suffered and nearly became paralyzed. Our Fire Chief believes that the very soul of the Panhandle Firemen's Association is now at stake and in the hands of the citizenship of Lubbock will it survive or die. Lubbock is known by having done wonderful things. Thus she is expected to do more than the ordinary in August. There are two occasions on the calendar for Lubbock this year and one is nearly as important as the other as far as the city of Lubbock is concerned. They are: The Firemen's Convention and the Lubbock Fair. Both of these occasions should be so handled by Lubbock's great people that when the record for this year is complete we will have the

assurance of having done big things in a way only becoming of Lubbock.

In order that we do these things, it will be the privilege of every man and woman in Lubbock to aid in their success. If we would have a great fair we must provide prizes that attract. If we would have competition for honors to contestants in the firemen's feats, we must have funds that will attract. As there is money to be furnished for the doings of these things Lubbock people will be asked to furnish it. If we succeed as a convention city, known so all over the Southwest, then it is necessary that every one help. So in a few days when a hard working committee comes to you for a few dollars, can you afford not to help? In order that the convention be one of the biggest successes in its history, attractive prizes will be offered for winners in the various contests and with these prizes there will be many interesting feats performed by the firemen, thus returning entertainment in return for your pecuniary satisfaction. In addition to this entertainment, the encouragement of the local volunteer firemen will in the end more than repay the little expenditure in showing to them our appreciation of their services.

Wednesday evening the entertainment committees met. Five committees have thus far been appointed, which are:

Finance committee: Roche Newton chairman and Will E. Ballew. Publicity committee: J. E. Griffith chairman and R. A. Holland. Entertainment committee: E. C. Young chairman and L. D. Rankin. Reception committee: L. H. Simpson chairman. Racing committee: Ed Twitty.

These committees will start an active campaign to make a great success of the convention. With the help afforded by Lubbock people this is now practically assured. However, the main idea now before every person in Lubbock is how much you can afford to contribute in order to make funds available to care for the expense.

## SENATE VOTES TO CHANGE SUSPENDED SENTENCE LAW

Austin, Texas, June 7.—Reconsidering their action for a second time today, the Senate called from the table and finally passed a bill providing that the suspended sentence law shall not apply in cases of persons over 25 years old convicted in felony cases. The bill was finally passed in the morning session, the vote reconsidered and action on the bill postponed indefinitely, and later called up and passed during the afternoon session.

A bill was finally passed allowing corporations to act as general commercial and custom brokers in this and foreign countries.

Final passage was given the Witt bill providing that written consent shall not be required to adopt a child where the parents have abandoned it for three years or more. Senate bachelors discussed the bill more than the married men.

Senator Hertzberg introduced a bill increasing the maximum amount of pay received by bailiffs to \$4 a day for riding bailiffs and \$2.50 for other bailiffs, and providing that Deputy Sheriffs shall not serve as bailiffs.

A bill by Senator Bailey, providing for the bringing of suits for delinquent taxes by incorporated cities and towns of less than 5,000 population was finally passed.

Final passage was given the Sheriff fee bill, increasing materially the fees that may be charged by Sheriffs in misdemeanor cases, the charges to be paid by the defendants. Increases provided in the bill ranged from 100 to 400 per cent.

The State Industrial Welfare Commission, created by the Thirty-Sixth Legislature, was requested in a concurrent resolution adopted in the Senate today to postpone any attempt to fix a minimum wage for women and minors until after the regular session of the Thirty-Seventh Legislature.

A bill by Senator Caldwell providing that all proceeds from the sales of land belonging to the University shall go to the available funds of that institution, and providing that these funds shall be expended only for permanent buildings, was passed finally.

The Senate passed finally a bill by Senator Cousins, removing the limitation on the salary to be paid civil engineers and laborers employed in the construction of drainage systems. At present the Commissioners' Court is limited to \$10 a day for engineers and \$2 a day for laborers, and it is claimed that they are unable to employ the necessary men for the work.

A bill changing the procedure in cases where a misjoinder of parties or cause of action exists so that such suits shall not on account thereof be abate, but shall be covered, was passed finally.

A. M. Harro, representing "The Earth" an Amarillo publication, was here today gathering data for a series of articles upon the development of the Lubbock section.

## W. G. MADDOO TO BE NEXT PRESIDENT, LOVE PREDICTS

Forecasting the election of a Democratic President and the nomination of William G. McAdoo at the national Democratic convention in San Francisco, Thomas B. Love yesterday declared that "the next President of the United States is not likely to be the nominee of a national convention which was opened with the reading of a typewritten prayer."

With the forty votes of the Texas delegation to the Democratic convention pledged to Mr. McAdoo, the nomination of the former Secretary of the Treasury was a foregone conclusion, Mr. Love said.

"The result of the recent primary convention in Texas proved this is not a Republican year," Mr. Love said. "This was corroborated by the lack of enthusiasm which characterized the first session of the Republican national convention as reported in the press."

Mr. Love, national committeeman, will leave Dallas this afternoon, and after a short business trip in St. Louis plans to arrive in San Francisco on June 23.—Dallas News.

## HARVEST HAS BEGUN LARGE CROPS REPORTED

Decatur, June 9.—The average for wheat in this county will probably be in the neighborhood of 12 bushels per acre, is the report in the wheat belt.

Claude, Texas, June 9.—At an enthusiastic meeting of farmers here a branch of the National Wheat Growers' Union was formed. The object is to forward the interests of the farmers who expect to have wheat ranging from fifteen to thirty bushels per acre. They also anticipate a bumper oats crop.

Sylvestre, Texas, June 9.—During the recent rains in the upper reaches of the Clear Fork of the Brazos much lowlands in this section were inundated, causing considerable damage from erosion. Little acreage had been planted to cotton at the time, so that the damage to the crops was only nominal.

A crop survey of this section shows cotton on the uplands to be better than in most parts of the West at this season of the year. Considerable cotton has already been chopped and there is now a demand for choppers.

Justin, Texas, June 9.—There will be a small harvest of winter grains around Justin, compared with 1919. The farmers who planted grain are busy harvesting. The oats and wheat are much better than expected after so much wet weather.

Denton county has received more rain this year than for a number of years and the outlook for cotton and feed crops around Justin is better than a few weeks ago.

So far the republican convention at Chicago has failed to arrive at anything definite toward the nomination of a man for president. It seems they are having a hard time finding one that will win.